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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Office Action dated December 23, 2002.

REMARKS

At pages 2-3 of the Office Action, the Examiner required restriction of the application to one of three allegedly distinct inventions:

Group I: Claims 1-14 drawn to heterodimeric complex composition of a first and second insulin species classified in class 514, subclass 3.

Group II: Claims 15-26 drawn to methods of making and stabilizing a heterodimeric complex composition of a first and second insulin species, classified in class 435, subclass 69.1.and

Group III: Claims 27-32, drawn to method of identifying a stabilized insulin composition, classified in class 435, subclass 7.1.

Applicants elect Group II, namely claims 15-26, with traverse.